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SUBJECT: MEMBERSHIP APPLICATIONS OF CAPE VERDE AND SAO TOME
AND PRINCIPE

REF: USUN 3681

FOR MOYNIHAN FROM SISCO AND BUFFUM

1. WE APPRECIATE YOUR EFFORTS TO GET SERIOUS CONSIDERATION
OF SAN TOME AND CAPE VERDE MEMBERSHIP APPLICATIONS. WE
THINK IT UNFORTUNATE FOR THE INTEGRITY OF THE UN AS AN
INSTITUTION, AS WE KNOW YOU DO, IF ADDITIONAL INDEPENDENT
ENTITIES ARE TO BE ADMITTED INDISCRIMINATELY AND WITHOUT
REGARD FOR THEIR REAL ABILITY TO CARRY OUT THE OBLIGATIONS
OF THE CHARTER. THIS UNHAPPY TREND HAS BEEN EVIDENT FOR
SOME TIME, AND YOU MAY BE INTERESTED TO KNOW WE MADE A
MAJOR EFFORT SOME YEARS AGO TO DEVELOP CONCEPT OF ASSOCIATE
MEMBERSHIP TO COVER APPLICANTS SUCH AS THE TWO PRESENT ONES
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BUT FOUND NO SIGNIFICANT SUPPORT.

2. WE DISCUSSED THIS PROBLEM WITH THE SECRETARY AUGUST 15.
HE IS ALSO CONCERNED ABOUT THIS TREND. AT SAME TIME, HE
RECOGNIZED THAT AS A PRACTICAL POLITICAL REALITY WE HAVE
NO REAL VIABLE OPTION EXCEPT TO ACQUIESCE IN THEIR

ADMISSION ONCE WE HAD MADE EVERY FEASIBLE EFFORT TO
INSURE SERIOUS CONSIDERATION OF ALL THE IMPLICATIONS
INVOLVED IN FURTHER EXTENSION OF MEMBERSHIP TO SUCH
ENTITIES. WHILE WE OF COURSE HAVE THEORETICAL OPTION OF
VETO, THIS COULD ONLY REGISTER OUR POSITION IN PRINCIPLE
WHICH DOES NOT ENJOY SIGNIFICANT SUPPORT AND WHICH WOULD

BADLY ANTAGONIZE AFRICAN BLOC PRIOR TO OPENING OF GA
WHEN WE HOPE FOR POSITIVE ATMOSPHERE AND WILL BE LOOKING
FOR THEIR SUPPORT ON MATTERS OF CONCERN TO US.

3. ACCORDINGLY, IN YOUR CONSULTATIONS AND IN MEETING OF
SC MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE, YOU SHOULD USE PRESENT APPLICA-
TIONS AS A CASE IN POINT TO EMPHASIZE NECESSITY OF UN
PAYING GREATER ATTENTION TO PROVISION IN CHARTER THAT
MEMBERSHIP IS OPEN TO STATES ABLE AND WILLING TO CARRY
OUT THE OBLIGATIONS OF THE CHARTER. IN RUSHING THROUGH
APPLICATIONS OF SAN TOME AND PRINCIE AND CAPE VERDE
WITH SUCH SMALL POPULATIONS AND LACK OF INFORMATION
CONCERNING THEIR ECONOMIC BASE AND OTHER RELEVANT DATA,
SC IS CERTAINLY NOT GIVING THE ATTENTION TO THIS CHARTER
REQUIREMENT THAT IT DESERVES. SCHEDULING MEMBERSHIP
COMMITTEE SESSION IN MORNING AND FORMAL COUNCIL SESSION
IN AFTERNOON IS OBVIOUSLY NO MORE THAN A TOKEN GESTURE
TOWARD THE REQUIRED PROCEDURES. YOU SHOULD POINT OUT
THAT UN DOES GREAT DAMAGE TO ITS OWN INTEGRITY AND
RAISES QUESTIONS ABOUT ITS SERIOUSNESS AS AN INSTITUTION
WHEN IT FOLLOWS SUCH COURSE.

4. UNDER THE CIRCUMSTANCES, HAVING MADE SUCH ADDITIONAL
EFFORTS AS YOU CONSIDER ARE FEASIBLE WITHOUT INFLAMING
ATMOSPHERE, YOU ARE AUTHORIZED TO SUPPORT THE TWO
APPLICATIONS.

5. WE WILL SEND SUGGESTED STATEMENT FOR SC BY DATAFAX
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